



Woodlot Management and Maintenance Checklist

- A.) Annual Review of Management Plan
 - 1.) Are you doing what is specified in plan? Is your plan current?
 - 2.) Are your goals and objectives still the right ones
 - 3.) Have your resources and challenges changed or remained the same? Invasives, new erosion
 - 4.) What actions or decisions are required in the next year?
 - 5.) Is your plan and activities in compliance with current standards and expectations of any certification organizations certifying your land, if any?
- B.) Are all your records up to date? Harvest records, abutters info, Tax info, town ordinances, public use of your land
 - 1.) Do you have a current succession plan in place?
 - 2.) Are your maps current?
 - 3.) Are your tax records up to date? Depletion, cost basis, depreciation, cutting records?
 - 4.) Is your woods activities log/diary up to date?
- C.) Have you walked your land and trails lately?
 - 1.) Are your boundary markers all in good shape and clearly evident?
 - 2.) Are your woods trails in good shape and free of erosion?
 - 3.) Has there been any harvesting going on around your woodlot?
 - 4.) Has there been any timber trespassing on your lot?
 - 5.) Are your signs, if any, in need of maintenance or updating?
 - 6.) Is a harvest needed to release future crop trees?
 - 7.) Where are you going to get your next year's firewood?
 - 8.) Do the fields need mowing?
 - 9.) Do you have any invasives to get rid of?
 - 10.) Are there trees that need pruning or releasing?
 - 11.) Is this a seed year? If so, what should you do to promote propagation and growth?
 - 12.) Do trails need to be reestablished or cleared of debris?
 - 13.) Have beavers or other undesirables moved in since your last inspection?
- D.) Does your land have enough natural diversity? Do you want more?
 - 1.) Are you providing enough wildlife habitats? Do you want more habitat clearings?
 - 2.) Do you want to put up bird boxes, duck boxes, brush piles etc.?
- E.) Does your woods equipment need maintenance work done on it?
- F.) Do you need to update your chainsaw and tractor safety training skills before working in the woods again?
- G.) Do you have any open NRCS contracts? If so, what must you do to comply with them this year?